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Dear _____,

SUBJECT: SEEKING ASSISTANCE FOR STATE OF EMERGENCY IN OTTAWA

The Ottawa Police Service is seeking your support and assistance. As you are aware, the Mayor of Ottawa declared a state of emergency on February 6th. Our downtown core remains occupied with multiple factions of the Freedom Convoy and counter protesters. The complexity and fluidity with which this demonstration has developed and continues to develop is unmanageable with our current resources alone. We continue to adapt our plan to ensure the safety and security of our city, our residents, business owners and visitors.

There is no end in sight for this protest. We anticipate a prolonged response involving multiple operations over various geographical sites within our city. It is only through support and a synchronized effort with external partners that we can best position ourselves to effectively and safely manage the unpredictability of the coming days and, quite possibly, weeks.

To that end, I am asking that you provide support and assistance in providing what resources you can and join us in a coordinated partner enforcement initiative in an effort to quell the current state.

We are grateful for the collaborative relationship we have with _____ and have every confidence that together we can make significant headway in reestablishing the peaceful and safe environment for which our city is known.

Sincerely,

Peter Sloly

Chief of Police